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1. According to residents of Altengrabow (K 53/Z 00), several small artillery units arrived at the troop training grounds there on 14 February 1951, coming by road from the direction of Drewitz, Gross Luebars, and Hohenlobbese. A unit which came from the direction of Drewitz was equipped with 150-mm artillery pieces. Reports of guns were heard on 15 February. An officer stationed at the headquarters of the troop training grounds stated that the unit practicing there at that time had come from Magdeburg.

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2. Camp Altengrabow is subdivided by board and wire fences. The camp headquarters and troop training grounds had APN 08983, was commanded by a colonel and staffed by personnel wearing artillery insignia. An AAA unit which had been at the troop training grounds in November 1950 has not been observed since December 1950. Shortly before Christmas 1950, a heavy artillery unit with caterpillar tractors towing guns of about 150 mm arrived at the troop training grounds and moved into low wooden barracks along the Altengrabow-Doernitz camp road. This unit frequently conducted night firing practice.

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3. An AAA unit arrived at the Altengrabow railroad station during the night of 19 February, allegedly coming from Wildpark. A railroadman said that six AA guns of about 50 mm were unloaded with the unit. another train also carrying six AA guns apparently of the same caliber, which traveled from Loburg toward Altengrabow.

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